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Military Information from the Zehdenick-Templin Area

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## REFERENCES

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## 2. FIELDS

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1. Between 20 and 26 July 1951, no troops or materiel were observed arriving by rail in the Zehdenick-Templin area, whereas road traffic of supply vehicles continued as usual. Day and night exercises were conducted in the areas of Ribbeck (N 54/U 70), Storkow (N 54/U 80) and Gross Döbbin (N 53/U 80). An exercise in the Gross Döbbin area on 25 and 26 July involved more units than had been observed during previous exercises. \*
2. The following observations were made at Templin between 20 and 25 July:
- 20 July. A convoy of 8 trucks [redacted] drove into Camp Vogelsang from the direction of Ribbeck, carrying a total of about 100 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets and towing 3 x 57-mm AT guns and 1 field kitchen. Supply trucks identified in the streets of Templin [redacted]
- 23 July. Busses [redacted] passed through Zehdenick [redacted] at about noon, coming from the direction of Granitzburg and proceeding toward the camp. Each bus was occupied by about 35 officers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. A train of 23 tank cars with fuel stood at the Vogelsang railroad station in the evening. A JS-2 tank left Camp Vogelsang toward Ribbeck. Supply trucks identified in the streets of Templin [redacted]
- 24 July. Supply trucks [redacted] were identified.
- 25 July. Six T-34 tanks, [redacted] passed through Zehdenick toward Ribbeck in the evening, coming from the camp. Supply trucks seen in the streets of Zehdenick [redacted] \*\*
- \*\*\* [redacted] Comment. The movement of engineer units to the Templin area seemed to have been completed. The last incoming engineer unit was on a train which, according to the same source, arrived at Templin on 14 July. [redacted] intensified training activity since the second half of July 1951 was also reported from the [redacted] Heaths. [redacted]
- \*\*\* [redacted] Comment. The 25th Tank Div, the 3th Gds Mecz Div and headquarters units of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army are confirmed at Templin [redacted] Individual vehicles seen in street traffic belong to the 7th Gds Mecz Div and the unidentified AAA division of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army.

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